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Applicants,

Thank you for considering completing this application for the South Dakota Governor's Advisory Council for Children with Disabilities.

Panel Functions

- Advise the SEA of unmet needs within the State in the education of children with disabilities
- Comment publicly on any rules or regulations proposed by the state regarding the education of children with disabilities
- Advise the SEA in developing evaluations and reporting on data to the Secretary under section 618 of the Act
- Advise the SEA in developing corrective action plans to address findings identified in Federal monitoring reports under Part B of the Act
- Advise the SEA in developing and implementing policies relating to the coordination of services for children with disabilities
- Review and comment on final due process hearing findings and decisions
- Advise on eligible students with disabilities in adult prisons- The advisory panel also shall advise on the education of eligible students with disabilities who have been convicted as adults and incarcerated in adult prisons

Panel Priorities

- Addressing the pending reauthorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
- Child Find
- Ensuring quality service providers are available to children with disabilities

Criteria:

Anyone can apply, but due to federal requirements, the council has to maintain a membership criteria based upon their having a disability or associated with an individual with a disability. At this time, we are seeking college level students with disabilities, parent or guardian of children with disabilities, and private school administrators.

Contact Information:

Please send your application to:

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You will find an enclosed application form that must be completed and returned by:
May 30th, 2008.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Ray Tracy
Part B Specialist

Enclosed: Application